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FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
THE UNION LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA.

October 31, 1914.

To the Members of The Union League of Philadelphia.

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with the By-Laws your Board of Directors presents its report for the year ending October 31, 1914, together with reports of the Treasurer, of the House, Guest, Finance and Library Committees for the same period.

Your Board organized on the evening following election by unanimously re-electing JOHN W. HAMER and JAMES E. MITCHELL, respectively Secretary and Treasurer.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

HOUSE COMMITTEE.—Vice-President Thomas J. Jeffries, Chairman; James E. Mitchell, Clarence Bispham Collier, Miers Busch and T. Ellis Barnes.

GUEST COMMITTEE. — Vice-President William C. Sproul, Chairman; John Bancroft, John W. Hamer, George S. Graham and Charles R. Miller.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.—Vice-President George B. Evans, Chairman; William K. Haupt, William R. Lyman, Robert P. Hooper and William T. Elliott.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—Vice-President John Gribbel, Chairman; Louis Plumer Posey, M.D., William R. Lyman, Charles M. Gudknecht and W. Atlee Burpee.

The following gentlemen were elected to serve as Auditors and on the Committee on Membership for the ensuing year:

AUDITORS.—W. Harry Miller, Franklin M. Potts and Edward A. Stockton.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP.—Horace S. Ridings, John T. Riley, Harry T. Stoddart, Richard T. McCarter, William H. Smedley, Edwin F. Keen, George H. Hill, Kenneth M. Blakiston, Charles A. Porter, Jr., John L. Clawson, John J. Tuller, M.D., Charles E. Roberts and A. C. McGowin.

Stated meetings of your Board were held each month during the year, and special meetings were held on December 20th and March 24th.

The following statement shows the number of members on the several rolls at the beginning and at the close of the fiscal year:

Active Members, November 1, 1913.....	2,559
Deaths.....	56
Resignations.....	55
Dropped.....	6
Transferred to Active Life Roll.....	5
Declined to qualify.....	1
	<hr/> 123
	2,436
Elected during the year.....	112
	<hr/> 2,548
Active Members, October 31, 1914.....	2,548
Active Life Members, November 1, 1913.....	150
Deaths.....	5
	<hr/> 145
Transferred during the year.....	5
	<hr/> 150
Active Life Members, October 31, 1914.....	150
Re-elected under Amended By-Law, adopted December 9, 1907, Number on Roll November 1, 1913.....	12
Resignations.....	1
	<hr/> 11
Number on Roll October 31, 1914.....	11

Members on Army, Navy and Consular Roll November 1, 1913.....	24
Resignations.....	4
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	20
Elected during the year.....	4
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Members on Army, Navy and Consular Roll October 31, 1914.....	24
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Honorary Members November 1, 1914.....	8
(There was no change during the year in the list of Hon- orary Members)	<hr/>
Clerical Members November 1, 1913.....	114
Resignations.....	2
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	112
Elected during the year.....	6
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Clerical Members October 31, 1914.....	118
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The names on the "Register of Candidates for Membership" October 31, 1914, numbered 2,853.

The report of the Treasurer exhibits the receipts and disbursements of the different accounts, together with statements of assets and liabilities. To it is appended the certificate of the Auditors.

The report of the House Committee sets forth in detail the management of the various departments of the house and indicates the improvements made to preserve the property and add to the comfort of the members.

The Republican years from 1908 to 1912 formed an epoch in the history of The Union League, some of the most notable entertainments ever given by the League taking place during that period. Among them may be mentioned the laying of the corner-stone of the Fifteenth Street Building, numerous semi-public banquets, the entertainment of many distinguished men and the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of The Union League. During the past year, however, another national administration has been in power and

the work of the Guest Committee, therefore, has been much curtailed, though, it is hoped, that in the near future political conditions will so change that The Union League may again resume activities upon the same splendid scale as heretofore.

The Report of the Finance Committee directs attention to the Treasurer's statement that it has not been found necessary to issue the additional \$200,000 of bonds authorized by The Union League at its meeting December 9, 1912; that there remains a credit balance in both Income and Capital Accounts, and that the corporation is now clear of debt with the exception of bonds to the amount of \$714,000. .

The Library Committee's report gives details of the present condition of the Library and its growth, together with a list of donations during 1914.

The work of the Art Association is a most worthy one and your Board suggests, therefore, that increased interest and more generous support be given by the members.

Your Board takes this opportunity to thank the Committee on Membership for the faithful performance of its arduous and important duties.

The usual reception by the President and Board of Directors held on New Year's Day was attended by 2,560 members and guests.

Added to adverse conditions resulting from the foreign war, the general political situation remains unsatisfactory, though there are strong indications of a complete change of public sentiment. Witness the November election returns.

The Democratic tariff has brought the national revenue below the nation's actual needs. The European war, therefore, has been made the pretext for imposition of a war tax in time of peace. Wherever prosperity has been thought to survive it seems to be still regarded as deserving of further legislative attack.

The Republican Party is not perfect. Nothing earthly ever will be found perfect. In 1912 the public was demanding the impossible, demanding perfection and the public mind, obsessed by a seeking after faults in the old party, turned to that party whose manifest failings had not been so recently exploited. The resulting object lesson appears to have proven

sufficiently effective to bring the voters back to earth again, back to the Republican Party, the party of common sense, full of human faults perhaps, but yet promising material gain to all, rich and poor alike.

The Republican Party lost in 1912 because a constant stream of sensational publications (accentuating the evil and ignoring the good) had driven the frenzied people into a critical, carping, captious frame of mind, so that they were magnifying objections, esteeming nothing worthy of praise, searching only for defects and seeing nothing but the defects for which they searched. They were apparently impressed with a credulous belief that, under something approaching free trade, an absolute political perfection was attainable, and they therefore decided to exchange the substance of a great industrial progress for the shadow of a fallacious economic fad.

If we now, as a nation, put our house in order, permit and encourage prosperity to American corporations—large and small—under careful and reasonable regulations and restrictions, the result must be, that whatever surplus funds the world may accumulate, will naturally and irresistibly flow this way in great volume, curing most of our financial ills. Given a reasonable chance the investments of America, the one great country still at peace, will be preferred to all others. Let us have a legislative rest, with sanity at the polls, and when the foreign combat is finished, we shall experience a complete return of old-time Republican prosperity.

JOHN W. HAMER,
Secretary.

ACTIVE LIFE ROLL.

DECEASED.

CLAPP, B. FRANK.....	Feb. 11, 1914
DOLAN, THOMAS.....	June 12, 1914
GOODMAN, SAMUEL.....	Mar. 23, 1914
SCHENCK, JOSEPH H., M.D.....	Dec. 27, 1913
WAGNER, LOUIS.....	Jan. 15, 1914

ACTIVE ROLL.

DECEASED.

BAIRD, J. W.....	Nov. 1, 1913
BARRY, L. F.....	April 19, 1914
BEAVER, JAMES A.....	Jan. 31, 1914
BLAKELEY, WILLIAM S.....	July 20, 1914
BRUCE, ARTHUR.....	Jan. 15, 1914
CALDWELL, J. ALBERT.....	Sept. 29, 1914
CALVERT, P. B.....	Nov. 24, 1913
CARTER, WOODWARD D., M.D.....	Mar. 18, 1914
COOK, WILLIAM H.....	July 28, 1914
COYNE, GEORGE S.....	June 26, 1914
CRAWFORD, BENJAMIN F.....	Nov. 24, 1913
DEARNLEY, JOHN H.....	Dec. 3, 1913
DONALDSON, WILLIAM F.....	Feb. 5, 1914
DORNAN, ROBERT.....	May 21, 1914
DULL, A. J.....	April 8, 1914
FAIRES, BENJAMIN M.....	Feb. 2, 1914
FORBES, MURRAY.....	Dec. 28, 1913
FOX, ALEXANDER M., JR.....	Mar. 17, 1914
GARDNER, HARRY P.....	Feb. 6, 1914
GILLINGHAM, FRANK C.....	Oct. 30, 1914
GOODMAN, JOSEPH E.....	Mar. 5, 1914
GUMMERE, BARKER, JR.....	Mar. 9, 1914
HANNA, ALEXANDER Y.....	Oct. 28, 1914
HOLLAND, JAMES B.....	April 24, 1914
HYNEMAN, SAMUEL M.....	May 2, 1914
JUSTICE, WILLIAM W.....	May 24, 1914
KIRKPATRICK, GEORGE E.....	Mar. 26, 1914
KNOWLES, GEORGE L.....	Oct. 27, 1914
KREWSON, EDMUND F.....	Feb. 9, 1914
LEE, J. ELLWOOD.....	April 8, 1914
LENNIG, JOHN B.....	Nov. 5, 1913
LITTLE, WILLIAM.....	April 11, 1914
MACDONALD, THOMAS H.....	July 18, 1914
MICHENER, CHARLES G.....	Nov. 30, 1913
MIDDLETON, C. S., M.D.....	June 24, 1914

MOORE, ZIBA T.....	Aug. 20, 1914
MORRIS, WALTER B.....	Aug. 14, 1914
NAYLOR, JOHN S.....	Aug. 30, 1914
PETTIT, HORACE.....	Aug. 13, 1914
REYBURN, JOHN E.....	Jan. 4, 1914
RICHARDS, ISAAC.....	Jan. 19, 1914
SCHOFF, GEORGE C.....	Jan. 21, 1914
SHARPLES, WALTER M.....	July 5, 1914
SMALTZ, HENRY N.....	Aug. 9, 1914
STERN, WILLIAM A.....	Sept. 4, 1914
STEVENSON, GEORGE B.....	Nov. 25, 1913
STODDART, CURWEN, JR.....	April 1, 1914
STOKES, HENRY S.....	Feb. 14, 1914
STRAWBRIDGE, GEORGE, M.D.....	June 28, 1914
THOMAS, AUGUSTUS.....	April 23, 1914
TREDICK, EDWARD.....	Feb. 17, 1914
WALTON, FREDERICK M.....	Mar. 15, 1914
WATERALL, W. L.....	April 24, 1914
WESTBROOK, WILLIAM T.....	April 22, 1914
WHITE, STEPHEN W.....	Oct. 16, 1914
WRIGHT, THOMAS B.....	Jan. 14, 1914

TRANSFERRED TO LIFE ROLL.

CLEMENT, SAMUEL M., JR.....	Feb. 24, 1914
HUGHES, ROBERT J.....	Feb. 14, 1914
LYMAN, WILLIAM R.....	April 18, 1914
REX, JOHN B. S.....	July 20, 1914
STODDART, HARRY T.....	Mar. 11, 1914

RESIGNED.

ADAMSON, CHARLES B.....	Oct. 31, 1914
ANDERSON, ALFRED B.....	Oct. 31, 1914
BUCKLEY, L. J.....	Jan. 13, 1914
CRAMP, THEODORE W.....	May 12, 1914
DIEHL, THOMAS.....	Aug. 11, 1914
FARR, WILLIAM H.....	Oct. 31, 1914
FERAILLE, FRANK S.....	Oct. 31, 1914
GASKILL, NATHAN B.....	Oct. 31, 1914
GLENDINNING, ROBERT.....	Oct. 31, 1914
GREINER, ROBERT M.....	Oct. 31, 1914
GRISCOM, WALTER D.....	Jan. 13, 1914
HARRIS, HENRY FRAZER.....	Oct. 31, 1914
HAVENS, HERBERT E.....	Sept. 8, 1914
HAY, ERROLL B.....	Oct. 31, 1914
HENDERSON, FRANCIS.....	Oct. 31, 1914
HEULINGS, JOSEPH CHEW.....	Jan. 13, 1914
JOHNSON, EDWARD W.....	Oct. 31, 1914

KEEN, FRANK H.....	Oct. 31, 1914
KERBAUGH, H. S.....	Oct. 31, 1914
KNIGHT, SAMUEL B.....	Oct. 31, 1914
LITTLEFIELD, HENRY W.....	Oct. 31, 1914
LOVEJOY, ARTHUR B.....	Oct. 31, 1914
LYCETT, WILLIAM M.....	Oct. 31, 1914
McCALL, GEORGE.....	Oct. 31, 1914
MAUL, J. RUSSELL.....	Oct. 31, 1914
MERSHON, ALBERT HALE.....	Oct. 31, 1914
MICHENER, JOHN H., JR.....	Oct. 31, 1914
MITCHELL, HORACE G.....	Oct. 31, 1914
MORTON, JOHN I.....	Oct. 31, 1914
PAGE, ROBERT HOLMES.....	Oct. 31, 1914
PEALE, JOSEPH M.....	Oct. 31, 1914
PERRY, R. S.....	Oct. 31, 1914
PETRY, NICHOLAS A.....	Oct. 31, 1914
POTTER, WILSON.....	Oct. 31, 1914
PUSEY, HOWARD.....	Oct. 31, 1914
RAMBO, WILLIAM B.....	April 14, 1914
ROSENGARTEN, HAROLD.....	Oct. 31, 1914
ROSS, WALTER L.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SCHERMERHORN, FRANK E.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SCOTT, CHARLES H.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SHRIVER, THOMAS B., JR.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SIDEBOTTOM, WALTER.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SLAYMAKER, S. E.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SMITH, HORACE F., JR.....	Oct. 31, 1914
STEARNS, IRVING A.....	Oct. 31, 1914
STENGEL, ALFRED, M.D.....	Oct. 31, 1914
STOKES, E. LOWBER.....	Oct. 31, 1914
SWOOPPE, ROLAND D., JR.....	Oct. 31, 1914
TAITE, BENJAMIN G.....	Oct. 31, 1914
TAYLOR, J. BONSALE.....	Jan. 13, 1914
TYSON, ELWOOD.....	Oct. 31, 1914
WARBURTON, BARCLAY H.....	Oct. 31, 1914
WATT, GEORGE D.....	Oct. 31, 1914
WILKINSON, LORENZO D.....	Oct. 31, 1914
WOODWARD, HARRY C.....	Oct. 31, 1914
YARROW, HARRY C., JR.....	Oct. 31, 1914

DROPPED.

JACKSON, ELLWOOD C.....	Sept. 11, 1914
JENNINGS, EDMUND P.....	Mar. 10, 1914
KETCHAM, BENJAMIN, JR.....	Sept. 11, 1914
LEE, ALBERT R.....	May 12, 1914
ROYDHOUSE, H. C.....	Oct. 14, 1914
YORKS, SAMUEL A.....	Aug. 14, 1914

ARMY, NAVY AND CONSULAR ROLL.


RESIGNED.

BUEHLER, W. G., Rear Admiral U. S. N.....	Oct. 31, 1914
HEATH, FRANK, Colonel U. S. A., Retired.....	Oct. 31, 1914
KNOX, GEORGE H., Captain U. S. A.....	Oct. 31, 1914
LYON, GEORGE A., Rear Admiral U. S. N., Retired.....	Jan. 13, 1914

CLERICAL ROLL

RESIGNED.

BRODHEAD, GEORGE M.....	June, 14, 1914
ROMIG, EDWIN H.....	Oct. 31, 1914



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TREASURER'S REPORT

OF

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FROM NOVEMBER 1, 1913, TO OCTOBER 31, 1914.

INCOME ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Annual Tax.....	\$266,158 33	
Members' House Charges	460,012 71	
Miscellaneous.....	16,712 32	
Pepper Fund,—Interest on Loan.....	326 50	
Rebate on Insurance.....	7,479 30	
Sundry charges advanced for Members.....	6,350 87	
Taxicab Companies for charges to Members....	9,226 79	
Transferred from Capital Account for amounts paid account of Improvements.....	34,424 99	
	<hr/>	\$800,691 81

DISBURSEMENTS.

Department wages, supplies, etc.....	\$ 448,497 40	
House wages, supplies, etc.....	182,835 29	
Interest on Bonds and Loan.....	32,475 54	
Library Committee.....	5,890 36	
Pepper Fund Account—Books purchased.....	337 87	
Sundry charges advanced for Members.....	6,484 32	
Taxes on League Buildings.....	43,500 00	
Taxicab Companies for charges to Members....	9,164 07	
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Total amount of disbursements.....	\$ 729,184 85	
Cash Deficiency, October 31, 1913.....	67,409 08	
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Cash Balance, October 31, 1914.....		\$4,097 88
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CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Cash Balance, October 31, 1913.....	\$34,988 93
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RECEIPTS.

112 Entrance Fees at \$300.....	\$33,600 00
5 Life Membership Fees at \$1,000.....	5,000 00
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	\$38,600 00
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Total.....	\$73,588 93

DISBURSEMENTS.

Deposited in the Sinking Fund.....	\$17,600 00
Furniture, etc., for Middle Section	34,424 99
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	\$52,024 99
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Cash Balance, October 31, 1914.....	\$21,563 94
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BOND ACCOUNT.

Union League 4.4 per cent bonds due March 1, 1939:

Bonds of The Union League outstanding October 31, 1913..	\$732,000 00
Bonds purchased and cancelled March 1, 1914..	\$9,000 00
Bonds purchased and cancelled September 1, 1914.....	9,000 00
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	\$18,000 00
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Bonds of The Union League outstanding October 31, 1914..	\$714,000 00
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SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

Balance in the Sinking Fund, October 31, 1913.....	\$800 00
Deposited in the Sinking Fund, February 1, 1914	\$9,000 00
Deposited in the Sinking Fund, August 1, 1914.	8,600 00
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	17,600 00
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Total.....	\$18,400 00
Bonds purchased and cancelled March 1, 1914..	\$9,000 00
Bonds purchased and cancelled September 1, 1914.....	9,000 00
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	18,000 00
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Balance in the Sinking Fund October 31, 1914.....	\$400 00
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GEORGE S. PEPPER LIBRARY TRUST FUND.

Invested in loan to The Union League of Philadelphia,
 Capital Account, on demand at four per cent..... \$8,162 50

GEORGE S. PEPPER LIBRARY FUND.

Interest received from the George S. Pepper Library Trust
 Fund, which, under the terms of the bequest, can be
 used only for the purchase of books.

Balance October 31, 1913..... \$143 94
 Received from Interest on Loan..... 326 50

Total..... \$470 44
 Expended during the year..... 337 87

Balance October 31, 1914..... \$132 57

BALANCE ACCOUNT.

ASSETS.

Cash Balance, Income Account.....	\$4,097 88
Cash Balance, Capital Account.....	21,563 94
Deposit for Perpetual Insurance.....	21,141 00
Accounts due by Members.....	37,540 13
Inventories.....	72,421 10
Household Furnishings.....	277,764 51
Library.....	30,166 50
Real Estate.....	1,697,025 34
George S. Pepper Library Fund.....	8,162 50
Sinking Fund.....	400 00
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Total Assets.....	\$2,170,282 90

LIABILITIES.

Accounts Payable.....	\$3,234 70
Accrued Wages.....	413 68
George S. Pepper Library Fund.....	132 57
Bonds of The Union League.....	714,000 00
George S. Pepper Library Trust Fund.....	8,162 50
Loan from George S. Pepper Library Trust Fund.....	8,162 50
Balance Account, October 31, 1914.....	1,436,176 95
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Total Liabilities.....	\$2,170,282 90

JAMES E. MITCHELL,
Treasurer.

October 31, 1914.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We, the undersigned Auditors, elected by the Board of Directors of the Union League of Philadelphia, in accordance with Section 53 of the By-Laws, hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1914, and have found them correct.

(Signed)

W. HARRY MILLER,
FRANKLIN M. POTTS,
E. A. STOCKTON,

Auditors.

